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PLANAR OPTICAL IMAGE SENSOR AND SYSTEM FOR GENERATING AN **ELECTRONIC IMAGE OF A**

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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL AS ATTORNEY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.36, the Petitioner requests permission to withdraw as attorney for applicant, Lan, et al., in all matters pending before the Patent and Trademark Office. The Petitioner is authorized by, and makes this request on behalf of the law firm of Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP, including all of its individual members.

The basis for the request for withdrawal is 37 C.F.R. § 10.40(c)(5) in that petitioner's client knowingly and freely assents to termination of the employment of petitioner as evidenced by the attached Revocation of Power of Attorney.

Please direct all future correspondence to:

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The Petitioner has taken reasonable steps to avoid foreseeable prejudice to the rights of the client. Such that the Applicant's rights are preserved, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 10.40(a), the Petitioner has delivered into the possession of the Applicant the following information:

- (1) due notice that the attorney is withdrawing;
- (2) a copy of this petition, including attachments;
- (3) the time necessary for response;
- (4) the address of the Patent and Trademark Office where the applicant needs to write;
- (5) if extensions and extension fees are required, then this information has also been indicated; and
- (6) delivered to the client all papers and property to which the client is entitled.

A copy of the letter to the client is attached.

In accordance with 1058 O.G. 32, this petition is enclosed in triplicate to expedite its handling.

Respectfully submitted,

KNOBBE, MARTENS, OLSON & BEAR, LLP

Dated: 6/22/01

Authorized and Signing on behalf

of all attorneys of record
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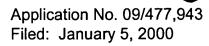
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REVOCATION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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The undersigned hereby revokes any previous powers of attorney in the subject application, namely that of Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP, including all of the individual members of the firm, 620 Newport Center Drive, Sixteenth Floor, Newport Beach, California 92660, and requests that all future communications with respect thereto from the Patent and Trademark Office be forwarded to:

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Re:

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/477,943

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Dear Brian:

As you have directed, we have transferred this file to John Eldredge, Esq. at Stradling, Yocca, Carlson & Rauth. Accordingly, we have petitioned the Patent Office to withdraw as your attorneys. A copy of the "Petition for Withdrawal as Attorney" is enclosed for your records.

Please take notice of the following facts. Your application was filed on January 5, 2000 and its current status is pending. There is no outstanding term for response.

Therefore, the amount of time for response, including extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), cannot be determined since this case is awaiting action by the PTO. Future correspondence regarding your patent matter should be addressed to:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Attention: Group Art Unit 2781

Any such correspondence should clearly identify the application number and filing date of your application, and should be directed to Group Art Unit 2781.



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Since this application was filed after June 7, 1995, the life of any patent issued on it will expire at a date that begins to run from the filing date, rather than the issue date, as in the past. However, the patent will not become effective until it is issued, and thus, if the application is not prosecuted promptly to issuance, the effective life of the patent will be shortened.

We regret that this matter has to be resolved in this manner. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

John R. King

Enclosures

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